

LOCAL BREVITIES.

I don't want much this Christmas time.
I'm most too big for toys.
'N' I've got 'bout as many things
As most o' girls 'nd boys.
I've had my share o' 'tops 'nd things—
O' swords 'nd flags 'nd drums—
But I do want, sure, to be a vake
W'en
Santa Claus comes!

A merry Christmas!
Dr. Knott is at Rochester.
Dick Shakes is in Kokomo.

C. C. Buck, of LaPorte, is in town.
James A. Reeves is on the sick list.
John Kuhn is at home from Chicago.
Mrs. C. R. Hughes went to Argos to-day.

Paul Ketcham went to South Bend to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyser went to Chicago to visit.

Jont Kellar, of Wabash, is in town on business.

Nickel Plate Road and low rates are synonyms.

Mrs. Charles Boggs, of Argos, was in Plymouth.

Mrs. Rothenberger will spend the day in Mulberry.

Dr. Baker and wife went to Chicago this morning.

Jake Martin and wife left for Indianapolis today.

Bert Marble left today to spend Christmas in Chicago.

W. S. Reeves is expected home from Chicago this evening.

Sam Miller and wife have gone to Chicago for Christmas.

Miss Maggie Holem is visiting at Valparaiso and Chicago.

Capt. Morris, mother and sister Flora, of Culver City, are in town today.

B. F. Swope, of Bareda, Mich., was in the city a few hours this morning.

The Nickel Plate Road is the shortest line between Chicago and Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Schaefer left for Kokomo today to spend Christmas.

T. O. Tabor and wife and Mrs. Rice, of Argos, have returned from their California trip.

The Nickel Plate Road maintains a perfect passenger service with sleepers and diners.

W. F. Vanyactor and wife are here from Elkhart, visiting the family of George Behler.

Chas. Stevens and Irv Wolfe, of Walkerton, were in the city last evening with friends.

Mrs. B. T. Rosenberry, a well known resident of Argos, was stricken with paralysis yesterday.

Chas. M. Welch will return from Chicago this evening to spend Christmas with his mother.

About the only really busy people these days are those connected with the express and post offices.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lauer will arrive this evening to visit the parents of Mrs. L. G. Wolf and wife.

Mishawaka, with its 4,500 inhabitants, is probably the only town of its size in the world without a hotel.

Mrs. H. A. Logan left for Bryan, Ohio, for the holidays. Mr. Logan accompanied her to South Bend.

Wm. Lankenau, time keeper of the Novelty, left this noon for Ft. Wayne to spend Christmas with his best girl.

Master Paul Kolar, of Edon, O., arrived for a visit with his aunt, Mrs. A. Stuller, of West Washington street.

Editor Zimmerman and daughters leave Thursday morning for a few days visit with his parents in Taylorville, Ills.

Mrs. Sarah Ruhman, who has visited her parents here for the past few months, will return to Muncie next week.

L. J. Southworth was today the recipient of a handsome bicycle as a Christmas gift from Miss Celestia and Mr. M. W. Simons.

J. N. Wilson and wife will eat their Christmas turkey at the home of her relatives in Three Oaks, Mich. They go today.

Dr. A. M. Shaw, formerly of Tyner City and later of North Liberty, moved to Wedron, LaSalle county, Ills., last Saturday.

Low rate Holiday excursion tickets are sold by agents of the Nickel Plate road, December 24th, 25th, and 31st '95, and January 1st 1896.

The Indiana Novelty Mfg. Co. closed down this noon to give the employees a rest over Christmas and will start Thursday morning.

Gustav Breimeier, toolmaker at the Cycle works, leaves on No. 8 tonight to spend the holidays with his parents, who reside at 221 West Creighton ave., Fort Wayne.

Camillo Olivetti, of Italy, was in Plymouth yesterday calling on the Indiana Novelty Mfg. Co., to make arrangements for handling the Plymouth rims.

The Plymouth dancing club will give its ball on the night of the 26th, and no pains have been spared to make it one of the most enjoyable of the season. No further invitation will be sent, and

members and their friends are cordially invited. Tickets \$1.25, with supper at Shoemaker's.

Geo. W. Marble returned home last night from a trip in Michigan where he purchased a supply of rock elm for the Indiana Novelty manufacturing company.

The township trustees of the county held a session yesterday afternoon in the jury room of the court house, and organized a quarterly meeting to be held regularly.

Rev. Raymond, rector of the Episcopal church, fell from a high stepladder yesterday while assisting in the decorations of the church. While the fall was great the consequent injury was slight.

Now is the time to make your plans for your winter California trip. Ask agents of the Nickel Plate road about low rates and connections with the fast California trains out of Chicago.

Geo. H. Thayer Jr., will return home this evening from New York where he has been in the interest of the Indiana Novelty Manufacturing Co., making arrangements for exporting rims.

County Supt. Fish, William Everly and a number of the township trustees go to Indianapolis tomorrow to attend the state teachers' association. H. G. Thayer and others will start Thursday.

The report current last evening that operator O'Brien of the Pennsylvania telegraph offices had been stricken with paralysis was without foundation. He is simply suffering from a bad attack of rheumatism.

Avail yourself of the opportunity to visit your friends while Holiday rates are in effect between all stations between Buffalo and Chicago on the line of the Nickel Plate road. Tickets on sale December 24th, 25th and 31st, 1895, and January 1st, 1896.

All those interested in the promulgation of political science will be delightedly surprised, though gratified, to learn that our friend, A. North, has consented to give a series of story-embellished lectures on "The President's Second Message," during the holidays.

A HUMAN HARP.

How the King of Madagascar Played Tunes with His Prisoners.

The latest story that comes from Madagascar tells about Pip, the king of Lotolies, one of the local tribes which is not busy fighting the French. The king devised some time ago a human harp. He had been visiting the place of punishment in his village and witnessing the bastinadoing of his captives he was struck by the tonal difference of their groans. At once he commissioned the royal carpenter to construct a series of stocks in which he placed eight captives whose howls of pain when the soles of their feet were struck by the rod were so carefully arranged that they made a perfect octave. This seemed such a success that he had a second frame constructed for the feet of eight more wretches whose average groans ranged a full octave higher. The harp was now complete. On it he proposed to play melodies and started in to practice the national air. His project was to regulate the length of the note by the violence of the blow. A first the scheme did not succeed at all for the reason that the captives, hitherto used to hard hits alone, howled loudly each time, and with little difference in force. At last he arranged it however, so that the groans became proportioned to the blows. But the instrument never got quite in tune. Incessant was the cry of some of the animated notes, others would not sound at all at the right time. The heather king had to give it up. The discords were too painful for fresh sets of prisoners, the human notes would never work just right.

STARVED TO DEATH.

Terrible Fate of a Man Who Swallowed a Peach Seed.

Jacksonville, Fla., Special: George Howell, aged 51, died in the county hospital Thursday morning of starvation. He starved on account of his inability to swallow food. Not even a drop of water passed into his stomach for a period of ten days. On the 16th inst. Howell was eating a peach, when, by accident, he swallowed the peach stone, which lodged in his esophagus or gullet. From that day until he died he suffered agonies from hunger and thirst and gradually wasted away until he was a mere skeleton. He begged piteously for food and water, and sometimes they were given him, but the two or three mouthfuls of this he was able to take came up almost immediately, having never found their way to the stomach any further than the obstruction. Skilled physicians tried in vain to remove the obstruction, even cutting open the stomach in their efforts to reach it. After the mar died the doctors cut him open and removed the part of the esophagus in which the stone was lodged. The stone was turned crosswise in its passage to the stomach, and the sharp end had penetrated into the esophagus, clinging so firmly that it would not be forced.

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Saskatoon	10:30 a.m.	Saskatoon	10:30 a.m.
Regina	10:45 a.m.	Regina	10:45 a.m.
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Winnipeg	11:15 a.m.	Winnipeg	11:15 a.m.
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Vancouver	12:00 p.m.	Vancouver	12:00 p.m.
Seattle	12:15 p.m.	Seattle	12:15 p.m.
Portland	12:30 p.m.	Portland	12:30 p.m.
Minneapolis	12:45 p.m.	Minneapolis	12:45 p.m.
St. Paul	1:00 p.m.	St. Paul	1:00 p.m.
St. Louis	1:15 p.m.	St. Louis	1:15 p.m.
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Fort Wayne	2:00 p.m.	Fort Wayne	2:00 p.m.
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